

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification to correct a clearly inadvertent error by inserting replacement paragraphs 0045 and 0046 as shown hereinbelow in place of the previous corresponding paragraphs in the specification:

[0045] Thus, by choosing one or more shapes, sizes and densities of compression elements as disclosed herein, and by combining them with a base layer and a top layer also as described herein, laminates having desired transmissivities can be provided. For example, the present laminates comprehend those having a transmissivity of at least $10^{-3} \text{ M-sec}^{-1}$ $10^{-3} \text{ M}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ of aqueous liquid at a normal load of at least 100 PSF (pounds/ft²), sustainable for at least 100 hours when tested in accordance w/ ASTM 4716 as well as those having a transmissivity of at least $10^{-3} \text{ M-sec}^{-1}$ $10^{-3} \text{ M}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ of aqueous liquid at a normal load of at least 1,000 PSF (pounds/ft²) sustainable for at least 100 hours when tested in accordance w/ ASTM 4716, and those possessing a transmissivity of at least $10^{-3} \text{ M-sec}^{-1}$ $10^{-3} \text{ M}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ of aqueous liquid at a normal load of at least 10,000 PSF (pounds/ft²) sustainable for at least 100 hours when tested in accordance w/ ASTM 4716.

[0046] Moreover, by choosing other combinations of shapes, sizes and densities of compression elements as disclosed herein, and by combining them with a base layer and a top layer also as described herein, the present invention also comprehends laminates having transmissivities of at least $10^{-3} \text{ M-sec}^{-1}$ $10^{-3} \text{ M}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ of aqueous liquid at a normal load of at least 15,000 PSF (pounds/ft²) sustainable for at least 100 hours when tested in accordance w/ ASTM 4716, and those with a transmissivity of at least $10^{-3} \text{ M-sec}^{-1}$ $10^{-3} \text{ M}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ of aqueous liquid at a normal load of at least 20,000 PSF (pounds/ft²) sustainable for at least 100 hours when tested in accordance w/ ASTM 4716.